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1. IN RESPONSE TO US REQUEST SOME TIME AGO THAT UN SOUND OUT OTHER COUNTRIES ABOUT SHARING BURDEN OF AIRLIFTING CONTINGENTS FOR UNIFIL, UNNY ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO ASKED UKUN IF HMG COULD ASSIST WITH NIGERIAN AIRLIFT. IN RESPONSE BRITISH HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON EXTENT OF AIRLIFT BUT UN HAS BEEN UNABLE SO FAR TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC

REPLY SINCE DETAILED INFO NOT YET AVAILABLE FROM FMG. UNNY HAS PROVIDED ROUGH ESTIMATE, HOWEVER, THAT CONTINGENT OF 600 MEN AND CONSIDERABLE MATERIEL WOULD REQUIRE AS MANY AS 20 SORTIES ASSUMING USE OF C 141S. UN DOUBTS THAT UK COULD PROVIDE ENTIRE AIRLIFT BUT SUGGESTS UK MIGHT AIRLIFT AT LEAST SOME MEN AND LIGHT GEAR WHILE US LIFTS REMAINDER PLUS LARGE ITEMS, SUCH AS HEAVY VEHICLES. UKUN HAS MADE FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION TO LONDON AND UN IS AWAITING DEFINITIVE REPLY WHICH UKUN HOPES MAY BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 28.

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- 2. UN HAS MEANWHILE MADE FORMAL REQUEST THAT USG PROVIDE AIRLIFT FOR NIGERIAN CONTINGENT (US/UNIFIL ASSIST LETTER 78-13), WITH EXTENT OF OUR CONTRIBUTION SUBJECT TO UK RESPONSE. SINCE FORMAL REQUEST NOW IN HAND, RECOMMEND THAT ADVANCE ALCE TEAM BE SENT TO LAGOS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ASSIST IN DETERMINING EQUIPMENT NEEDS AND OTHER DETAILS RELATED TO AIRLIFT.
- 3. IN RESPONSE TO USDAO LAGOS REQUEST (REF B), FOLLOWING IS INFO THAT WILL BE REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH AIRLIFT. IT WOULD ASSIST IN INITIAL PLANNING IF YOU COULD PROVIDE WHATEVER INFO NOW AVAILABLE.

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A. ROUTING: (1) PICKUP POINT; (2) ANY ENROUTE STOPS OTHER THAN USAF OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS; (3) DESTINATION (NOTE: TO BE DETERMINED).

- B. DATES: (1) AVAILABILITY OF CONTINGENT FOR MOVEMENT; (2) DATE(S) PICKUP IS DESIRED I.E. COMMENCEMENT OF AIRLIFT; (3) DATE DELIVERY IS DESIRED. (SUGGEST YOU INDICATE AT PRESENT "TO BE COORDINATED WITH MAC" AS THIS IS DATE WHEN AIRLIFT MUST BE COMPLETED. IT MUST ALLOW FOR OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS AND ONCE ESTABLISHED IS DIFFICULT TO CHANGE.)
- C. PASSENGERS: (1) TOTAL NUMBER TO BE MOVED; (2) TOTAL WEIGHT OF EXCESS BAGGAGE (ABOVE RPT ABOVE NORMAL BAGGAGE WEIGHT) PER PASSENGER.
- D. CARGO: (1) SHORT TONS OF CARGO EXCLUDING BAGGAGE WEIGHT; (2) TOTAL CUBIC FEET.
- E. COMMODITY DESCRIPTION: COMPLETE COMMODITY DESCRIPTION OF CARGO, TO INCLUDE NOMENCLATURE, COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, AND CUBE OF MAJOR PIECES, I.E., VEHICLES, APC'S, ETC.

- F. CARGO: (1) WEIGHT AND CUBE OF THE LARGEST SINGLE ITEM;
- (2) DIMENSIONS OF LARGEST SINGLE ITEM IN INCHES.
- G. EXPLOSIVES: COMPLETE LIST OF EXPLOSIVES BY CATEGORIES:
- H. HAZARDOUS CARGO: COMPLETE LIST OF ALL HAZARDOUS CARGO BY CATEGORIES, I.E. ACID, GASOLINE, ETC.
- I. POINTS OF CONTACT: (1) COMPLETE NAME, ADDRESS, OFFICE AND HOME PHONE NUMBER(S) OF POINTS OF CONTACT AT: (L) AMEMBASSY LAGOS; (2) PICKUP POINT FOR CONTINGENTS;
- $(3) \ ENROUTE \ STOPS, IF \ APPLICABLE.$

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J. GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT: COMPLETE LIST OF

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GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT THAT WILL BE REQUIRED, I.E. FORKLIFTS, ETC.

K. FUEL AVAILABILITY STATUS: FUEL AVAILABILITY STATUS AT LAGOS.
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L. RAMP AVAILABILITY: DETAILS REGARDING RAMP SPACE FOR MAC AIRCRAFT. END UNCLASSIFIED

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- 4. UN HAS ASKED IF AMEMBASSY LAGOS COULD ASSIST FMG IN MAKING UP LIST OF EQUIPMENT ITS CONTINGENT WILL NEED TO HAVE SUPPLIED BY UN. THIS LIST SHOULD BE SENT ASAP TO NIGERIAN UN MISSION FOR URGENT TRANSMITTAL TO UNNY. (FYI. UN HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL SO FAR IN ITS ATTEMPTS TO ASCERTAIN WHAT NIGERIAN CONTINGENT IS BRINGING WITH IT AND WHAT IT NEEDS TO HAVE SUPPLIED AT DESTINATION. END FYI). CONTINGENT SHOULD BE PREPARED TO BE COMPLETELY SELF-SUSTAINING, INCLUDING RATIONS AND AMMUNITION. IT IS ENCOURAGED TO BRING MORTARS, MACHINE GUNS, ARMORED VEHICLES, INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS, AS WELL AS DEFENSE STORES SUCH AS SAND BAGS, STEEL HELMETS, FLAK JACKETS, ETC. UNNY HAS NO INFO REGARDING NIGERIAN CONTINGENT'S LOGISTICAL BASE.
- 5. WE WILL INFORM ADDRESSEES IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT OF FURTHER INFO ON POSSIBLE UK PARTICIPATION IN AIRLIFT AND ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS RE THIS OPERATION. YOUNG

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